#### GREENFIELD CITY COUNCIL

# Regular Meeting Minutes November 18, 2020

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7:00 pm

**CALL TO ORDER:** Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Stempel-Rae.

**CHAIRS STATEMENT**: This meeting is being recorded and videotaped by the City Council and GCTV-15. If any other persons present are doing the same you must notify the chairperson at this time.

**ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS:** Roll Call was taken. All Councilors were present.

**ALSO PRESENT:** Mayor Roxann Wedegartner; City Clerk Kathryn J. Scott; Finance Director/City Auditor/City Accountant Elizabeth Gilman; School Committee Chairperson Amy Proietti; Assistant Assessor Kimberly Mew; GCET General Manager John Lunt; DPW Director Marlo Warner; Fire Station Building Committee co-Chair David Singer; GCTV-15 staff; Anita Fritz, *the Recorder*, and members of the public.

The Pledge of Allegiance was held.

**ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES:** On a motion by Councilor Desorgher, second by Councilor Ricketts, it was unanimously,

**VOTED:** TO ACCEPT THE CITY COUNCIL MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER  $10^{\text{TH}}$  & OCTOBER  $21^{\text{ST}}$  2020.

#### **COMMUNICATIONS:**

SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT AND SCHOOL COMMITTEE: School Committee Chairperson Amy Proietti reported the following:

- Discussion of plans to have a limited amount of students return to the schools for in person learning.
- Repairs to the HVAC systems in the schools.

Chair Proietti answered the following questions from Councilors:

- Financial status of the FY2021 School Budget that had been approved by the Council.
- Public Comment at School Committee meetings in regards to topics that were not on the agenda.

MAYOR, CITY OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES: Mayor Wedegartner noted there were neither new issues to report on nor any updated information for ongoing issues. She and Director Gilman answered the following questions from Councilors:

- Update status on the formation of a Zoning Committee.
- Update status on the Commercial Re-evaluation project Councilors had approved the funding for in FY2018.
- Clarification to the effect of current Capital projects on taxpayers.
- Would the City have the ability to borrow additional funds for the Fire Station if required.
- Was the City following similar Capital budget procedures that other surrounding Counties had implemented.
- If the City continued to reduce the FY2021 Operating Budget, how would that affect the 8% to 10% margin for the borrowing of funds.
- If the City were to approve the funding for the temporary Fire Station, when would the permanent borrowing effect the City; and prior to that time, when would BANS (Bond Anticipation Notes) be issued to the City.
- What would be the long term effect of these Capital projects on taxpayers.

Fire Department Building Committee co-Chair David Singer provided rationale for the additional funding for the temporary Fire Station and the effects it would have on taxpayers.

OTHER CITY EMPLOYEES AS NEEDED, BY INVITATION: GCET General Manager John Lunt reported the following:

- GCET had now covered 85% of residents in the City.
- There were over 1,500 GCET customers.
- Continuation to build out and increase the coverage area and was currently working on Deerfield Street area.
- Presented rationale for the appropriation for \$32, 423 for fiber and equipment.

Mr. Lunt answered the following questions from Councilors:

- Status update in regards to GCET services available for housing developments.
- Had GCET begun to provide services to River Road.
- Were grants available for veterans and seniors for help in obtaining access to GCET services.
- Was GCET open to "adopting" veterans and seniors programs to help pay for their access to GCET services.
- What was the status of GCET paying down the \$5,000,000 investment.

Assistant Assessor Kimberly Mew had nothing further to report on the FY2021 Tax Classification. She answered the following questions from Councilors:

• What was the time frame from when an individual submitted an issue in regards to tax assessment to when they would be addressed.

DPW Director Marlo Warner reported the following:

- Most of the construction projects were near completion.
- Rationale was presented for the \$42,900 appropriation for the appraisal of Wisdom Way right of way.
- The bid for the Massachusetts Department of Transportation project whould be out by late summer or early fall of 2021.
- Explanation was given for the FY2021 DPW budget reductions.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT:** The following members of the public spoke:

- Charles Roberts, Spring Terrace, Chairperson on behalf of the Planning Board, spoke on the issue of the ADUs vote on tonight's agenda.
- Al Norman, Grinnell St., spoke on the issue of the ADUs vote on tonight's agenda.

PUBLIC HEARINGS: President Stempel-Rae opened the public hearing at 9:07pm. Vice President Wheeler read the public hearing notices and second reading: The Greenfield City Council will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, November 18, 2020, at 7:00 pm, at John Zon Community Center, 35 Pleasant St., or via Webex, if required: <a href="https://greenfieldma.my.webex.com/greenfieldma.my/j.php?MTID=m2faa1185dd9e7b72c858f9e">https://greenfieldma.my.webex.com/greenfieldma.my/j.php?MTID=m2faa1185dd9e7b72c858f9e</a> 25c75e996, to adopt a residential factor in accordance with the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 58, Section 1A, which shall be used by the Board of Assessors to determine the percentages of the local tax levy to be borne by each class of real and personal property.

The Assessors shall provide all information and data relevant to making such determination and the fiscal effect of the available alternatives.

The hearing is required under Section 56 of Chapter 40, Massachusetts General Laws.

Ashley Stempel-Rae, Greenfield City Council President

In accordance with Home Rule Charter, the Greenfield City Council will hold a public hearing on Wed., November 18, 2020, at 7:00 p.m. at John Zon Community Center, 35 Pleasant St., or via Webex, if required: <a href="https://greenfieldma.my.webex.com/greenfieldma.my/j.php?MTID=m2faa1185dd9e7b72c858f9e">https://greenfieldma.my.webex.com/greenfieldma.my/j.php?MTID=m2faa1185dd9e7b72c858f9e</a> 25c75e996 to receive public input on the following:

- Reduce the FY21 General Fund Operating Budget appropriation of \$53,879,442 by the amount of \$370,000; for a revised FY21 Operating Budget Total of \$53,509,442.
- Authorizes increase Fund 1585 Ambulance Revolving Fund Spending limit \$40,000 for a revised spending limit of \$120,000 for the Fiscal Year 2021.
- Appropriate \$32,423 for GCET Fiber & Equipment.
- Appropriate \$42,900 from the General Stabilization Fund for the appraisal of right of ways along Wisdom Way.

The City Council may consider the same on Wed., November 18, 2020, at 7:00 p.m. at John Zon Community Center, 35 Pleasant St., or via Webex, if required: <a href="https://greenfieldma.my.webex.com/greenfieldma.my/j.php?MTID=m2faa1185dd9e7b72c858f9e25c75e996">https://greenfieldma.my.webex.com/greenfieldma.my/j.php?MTID=m2faa1185dd9e7b72c858f9e25c75e996</a>. Materials can be obtained from the City Clerk's Office, 14 Court Sq. from 8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m., Mon. - Fri. or phone 413-772-1555, x. 6163.

Ashley Stempel-Rae, Greenfield City Council President

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Seeing that no one wished to speak, President Stempel-Rae closed the public hearing at 9:12pm.

# MOTIONS, ORDERS, AND RESOLUTIONS

**MOTION:** On a motion by Councilor Mayo, no second, it was,

**MOVED:** TO MAKE A PRIVILEGED MOTION BASED ON THE CONFIRMATION WE HAVE JUST RECEIVED FROM THE MAYOR AND FINANCE DIRECTOR ON THE POSITIVE FINANCIAL INFORMATION REGARDING THE FIRE STATION PROJECT THAT CONSTRUCTION OF THE TEMPORARY FIRE STATION AT THE HOPE ST. PARKING LOT BEGIN WITHOUT FURTHER DELAY.

**DISCUSSION:** Councilor Mayo provided rationale for making this motion. Other comments included:

- It was suggested that this was not a privileged motion in accordance with Robert's Rules and requested this issue be discussed as New Business.
- It was noted that this issue may be better suited as a resolution.

This item would be moved to new business for further discussion.

**MOTION:** On a motion by Councilor Wheeler, second by Councilor Desorgher, it was, **MOVED:** THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL ADOPT A MINIMUM RESIDENTIAL FACTOR OF ONE (1) RESULTING IN AN EQUAL TAX RATE FOR ALL CLASSES OF PROPERTY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2021.

**DISCUSSION:** Vice President Wheeler reported the Ways & Means Committee forwarded a unanimous positive recommendation.

It was by roll call, 13 yes, 0 no,

VOTED: TO APPROVE ORDER NO. FY21-038A.

# Order no. FY 21-038B

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Wheeler, second by Councilor Desorgher, it was,

MOVED: THAT THE CITY COUNCIL VOTES THAT NO RESIDENTIAL EXEMPTION BE

ADOPTED FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021.

**DISCUSSION:** Vice President Wheeler reported the Ways & Means Committee forwarded a unanimous positive recommendation.

It was by roll call, 13 yes, 0 no,

**VOTED:** TO APPROVE ORDER NO. FY21-038B.

#### Order no. FY 21-038C

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Wheeler, second by Councilor Desorgher, it was,

MOVED: THAT THE CITY COUNCIL VOTES THAT NO SMALL COMMERCIAL EXEMPTION

BE ADOPTED FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021.

**DISCUSSION:** Vice President Wheeler reported the Ways & Means Committee forwarded a unanimous positive recommendation.

It was by roll call, 12 yes, 1 abstension,

**VOTED:** TO APPROVE ORDER NO. FY21-038C.

#### Order no. FY 21-029

**MOTION:** On a motion by Councilor Wheeler, second by Councilor Mayo, it was, **MOVED:** THE CITY COUNCIL, UPON RECOMMENDATION OF MAYOR WEDEGARTNER, ORDERED THAT TO REDUCE THE FY21 GENERAL FUND OPERATING BUDGET APPROPRIATION OF \$53,879,442 BY THE AMOUNT OF \$370,000; FOR A REVISED FY21 OPERATING BUDGET TOTAL OF \$53,509, 442; \$53,109,442 IS TO BE RAISED AN APPROPRIATED AND \$400,000 TRANSFERRED FROM PARKING METER RECEIPTS FOR FISCAL YEAR STARTING JULY 1, 2020 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2021.

#### THE FOLLOWING ACCOUNTS ARE TO BE REDUCED:

Department	Description	Amount			
132 - Reserve Fund	Reserve Fund	(\$25,000)			
155 - Technology / MIS	Salaries & Wages	(\$22,000)			
197 - Energy	Expenditures	(\$12,000)			
213 - Dispatch	Salaries & Wages	(\$50,000)			
220 - Fire Dept:	Salaries & Wages	(\$46,000)			
220 - Fire Dept:	Expenditures	(\$14,400)			

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Salaries & Wages	(\$103,600)	
Expenditures	(\$16,600)	
Salaries & Wages	(\$14,100)	
Expenditures	(\$1,000)	
Expenditures	(\$16,300)	
Expenditures	(\$13,500)	
Salaries & Wages	(\$20,500)	
Workers Compensation Ins	(\$15,000)	
TOTAL REDUCTION	(\$370,000)	
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**DISCUSSION:** Vice President Wheeler reported the Ways & Means Committee forwarded a unanimous positive recommendation.

It was by roll call, 13 yes, 0 no,

**VOTED:** TO APPROVE ORDER NO. FY21-029.

#### Order no. FY 21-030

**MOTION:** On a motion by Councilor Wheeler, second by Councilor Mayo, it was,

**MOVED:** THE CITY COUNCIL, UPON RECOMMENDATION OF MAYOR WEDEGARTNER, ORDERED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZES INCREASING FUND 1585 AMBULANCE REVOLVING FUND SPENDING LIMIT \$40,000 FOR A REVISED SPENDING LIMIT OF \$120,000 FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2021 IN ACCORDANCE WITH M.G.L. CHAPTER 44, SECTION 53 E-1/2.

RECEIPTS RECEIVED BUT NOT EXPENDED IN FISCAL YEAR 2021 SHALL BE CARRIED OVER TO FISCAL YEAR 2022.

NO FURTHER APPROPRIATION SHALL BE MADE IN EXCESS OF THE BALANCE OF THE FUND NOR SHALL TOTAL EXPENDITURES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR EXCEED THE ANNUAL SPENDING LIMIT OF \$120,000.

**DISCUSSION:** Vice President Wheeler reported the Ways & Means Committee forwarded a unanimous positive recommendation.

It was by roll call, 13 yes, 0 no,

**VOTED:** TO APPROVE ORDER NO. FY21-030.

#### Order no. FY 21-031

**MOTION:** On a motion by Councilor Wheeler, second by Councilor Mayo, it was,

**MOVED:** THE CITY COUNCIL, UPON RECOMMENDATION OF MAYOR WEDEGARTNER, ORDERED THAT THE SUM OF \$32,423 BE TRANSFERRED FROM 1627 BOND PREMIUM FOR FIBER AND BUILD-OUT EQUIPMENT FOR THE GCET ENTERPRISE FUND.

**DISCUSSION:** Vice President Wheeler reported the Ways & Means Committee forwarded a unanimous positive recommendation.

It was by roll call, 13 yes, 0 no,

**VOTED:** TO APPROVE ORDER NO. FY21-031.

# Order no. FY 21-032

**MOTION:** On a motion by Councilor Wheeler, second by Councilor Mayo, it was,

**MOVED:** THE CITY COUNCIL, UPON RECOMMENDATION OF MAYOR WEDEGARTNER, ORDERED THAT THE SUM OF \$42,900 TO BE APPROPRIATED FROM THE GENERAL STABILIZATION FUND FOR THE APPRAISAL OF RIGHT OF WAYS ALONG WISDOM WAY.

**DISCUSSION:** Vice President Wheeler reported the Ways & Means Committee forwarded a unanimous positive recommendation.

It was by roll call, 13 yes, 0 no,

VOTED: TO APPROVE ORDER NO. FY21-032.

President Stempel-Rae requested Vice President Wheeler take over as Chair to allow her to step away from the meeting at 9:42pm.

### Order no. FY 21-025

**MOTION:** On a motion by Councilor Dolan, second by Councilor Ricketts, it was,

**MOVED:** THAT THE CITY COUNCIL OF GREENFIELD AMEND ZONING ORDINANCE, CHAPTER 200, SECTION 7.18: ACCESSORY DWELLING UNITS; SUBSECTION D: ACCESSORY DWELLING UNIT STANDARDS, BY INSERTING NEW SUBSECTION (14) AS FOLLOWS:

### ~ 200-7.18. Accessory Dwelling Units

- D. Accessory Dwelling Unit Standards.
  - (14) No accessory dwelling unit shall be held in separate ownership from the principal structure or dwelling unit. If ownership is later divided under Massachusetts Condominium Law, all units of the condominium must be owneroccupied.

AND FURTHER AMENDS THE TABLE OF CONTENTS AND INDEX OF THE CODE. AND FURTHER THAT NONSUBSTANTIVE CHANGES TO THE NUMBERING OF THE ORDINANCE BE PERMITTED IN ORDER THAT IT BE IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE NUMBERING FORMAT OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF GREENFIELD.

**DISCUSSION:** Councilor Dolan reported the Economic Development Committee reported a majority positive recommendation with 4 yes, 1 no. Councilor Dolan presented his rationale for his negative vote toward this motion.

President Stempel-Rae has returned to the meeting. Vice President Wheeler relinquished the Chair.

It was by roll call, 11 yes, 1 no, 1 abstention,

**VOTED:** TO APPROVE ORDER NO. FY21-025.

#### Order no. FY 21-026

**MOTION:** On a motion by Councilor Dolan, second by Councilor Ricketts, it was,

**MOVED:** THAT THE CITY COUNCIL OF GREENFIELD AMEND THE ZONING ORDINANCE, CHAPTER 200, SECTION 200-7.18, ACCESSORY DWELLING UNIT WITH THE FOLLOWING:

Chapter 200, the zoning ordinance of the city of Greenfield, is hereby further amended in subsection B of section 200-7.18 by adding the following language at the end of the definition of ACCESSORY DWELLING UNIT, DETACHED: "A detached Accessory Dwelling shall be allowed on a lot that contains a minimum of .75 of an acre in total area or larger."

and further amended in section 200-7.18 by striking subsection C1. and C.2 in its entirety and replacing it with the following language: --

C.1. An Accessory Dwelling unit, Within, and an Accessory Dwelling Unit, Attached, shall require a site plan review by the Planning Board prior to construction.

C.2. An accessory Dwelling Unit, Detached, shall require a special permit review by the Planning Board prior to construction.

AND FURTHER AMENDS THE TABLE OF CONTENTS AND INDEX OF THE CODE. AND FURTHER THAT NONSUBSTANTIVE CHANGES TO THE NUMBERING OF THE ORDINANCE BE PERMITTED IN ORDER THAT IT BE IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE NUMBERING FORMAT OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF GREENFIELD.

**DISCUSSION:** Councilor Dolan reported the Economic Development Committee forwarded a majority negative recommendation, 2 yes, 3 no. Rationale was provided for the negative recommendation. Other discussion included:

- Questions were raised as to why a special permit review for an ADU Detached would be forwarded to the Planning Board when the Zoning Board of Appeals had that function.
- The majority of residents had voiced support to restore the special permit for ADUs, detached.
- This issue would be better addressed by a Zoning Committee.
- Rationale was provided for the removal of a special permit.
- There was lengthy debate as to the reissuance of a special permit.
- It was noted if there were any substantive changes to the motion it would need additional public hearings.
- Suggestion that this be sent back to the Committee for any amendments.

**MOTION:** On a motion by Councilor Wheeler, second by Councilor Dolan, it was, **MOVED:** TO AMEND THE MOTION ON THE FLOOR BY STRIKING "BY ADDING THE FOLLOWING LANGUAGE AT THE END OF THE DEFINITION OF ACCESSORY SWELLING UNIT, DETACHED: "A DETACHED ACCESSORY DWELLING SHALL BE ALLOWED ON A LOT THAT CONTAINS A MINIMUM OF .75 OF AN ACRE IN TOTAL AREA OR LARGER." AND FURTHER AMENDED IN SECTION 200 7.18."

It was by roll call, 8 yes, 1 no, 4 abstention,

**VOTED:** TO AMEND FY21-026.

FY21-026 as amended was on the floor: THAT THE CITY COUNCIL OF GREENFIELD AMEND THE ZONING ORDINANCE, CHAPTER 200, SECTION 200-7.18, ACCESSORY DWELLING UNIT WITH THE FOLLOWING:

Chapter 200, the zoning ordinance of the city of Greenfield, is hereby further amended in subsection B of section 200-7.18 by striking subsection C1 and C2 in its entirety and replacing it with the following language: -

- C.1. An Accessory Dwelling unit, Within, and an Accessory Dwelling Unit, Attached, shall require a site plan review by the Planning Board prior to construction.
- C.2. An Accessory Dwelling Unit, Detached, shall require a special permit review by the Planning Board prior to construction.

AND FURTHER AMENDS THE TABLE OF CONTENTS AND INDEX OF THE CODE. AND FURTHER THAT NONSUBSTANTIVE CHANGES TO THE NUMBERING OF THE ORDINANCE BE PERMITTED IN ORDER THAT IT BE IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE NUMBERING FORMAT OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF GREENFIELD.

It was by roll call, 10 yes, 1 no, 2 abstentions,

**VOTED:** TO APPROVE ORDER NO. FY21-026 AS AMENDED.

# Order no. FY 21-027

**MOTION:** On a motion by Councilor Dolan, second by Councilor Desorgher, it was,

**MOVED:** THAT THE CITY COUNCIL OF GREENFIELD AMEND ZONING ORDINANCE, CHAPTER 200, SECTION 6.1: NONCONFORMING USES; SUBSECTION B: RESTORATION OR RECONSTRUCTION, (1) & (2), AS INDICATED ON THE STRIKE DRAFT BELOW:

#### ~ 200-6.1. Nonconforming uses.

- Restoration or reconstruction.
  - (1) In the event that a nonconforming building is destroyed by fire, explosion or other natural cause, or is in a state of disrepair and dilapidated, the same may be reconstructed or repaired on the same location for the same use or a conforming use, provided the new building is at least equal in appearance and character to the original structure.
  - (2) Restoration or reconstruction due to fire, explosion or other natural cause, must be undertaken within one (1) year of the date damage is inflicted unless, upon application to the Board of Appeals, the owner can show that restoration within the time limit is impossible impracticable, in which case extension of time may be granted.

AND FURTHER AMENDS THE TABLE OF CONTENTS AND INDEX OF THE CODE. AND FURTHER THAT NONSUBSTANTIVE CHANGES TO THE NUMBERING OF THE ORDINANCE BE PERMITTED IN ORDER THAT IT BE IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE NUMBERING FORMAT OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF GREENFIELD.

**DISCUSSION:** Councilor Dolan reported the Economic Development Committee forwarded a unanimous positive recommendation.

It was by roll call, 13 yes, 0 no,

**VOTED:** TO APPROVE ORDER NO. FY21-027.

### Order no. FY 21-035

**MOTION:** On a motion by Councilor Guin, second by Councilor Ricketts, it was,

**MOVED:** THAT THE GREENFIELD CITY COUNCIL, PURSUANT TO CHARTER SECTION 2-10, AFFIRMS THE FOLLOWING APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR TO THE PLANNING BOARD: EMILY EASH, FOR A THREE YEAR TERM TO EXPIRE JUNE 30, 2023.

**DISCUSSION:** Councilor Guin reported the Appointments & Ordinances Committee forwarded a unanimous positive recommendation.

It was noted that Councilor Gilmour may no longer be signed on at the meeting and was not present for the remaining votes.

It was by roll call, 12 yes, 0 no,

**VOTED:** TO APPROVE ORDER NO. FY21-035.

#### Order no. FY 21-036

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Guin, second by Councilor Ricketts, it was,

**MOVED:** THAT THE GREENFIELD CITY COUNCIL, PURSUANT TO CHARTER SECTION 2-10, AFFIRMS THE FOLLOWING RE-APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR FOR A THREE YEAR TERM TO EXPIRE JUNE 30, 2023:

KATHLEEN STRUB-RICHARDS, LOCAL CULTURAL COUNCIL BENTON COOK, HISTORICAL COMMISSION

**DISCUSSION:** Councilor Guin reported the Appointments & Ordinances Committee forwarded a unanimous positive recommendation.

It was by roll call, 12 yes, 0 no,

**VOTED:** TO APPROVE ORDER NO. FY21-036.

#### PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS AND SIMILAR PAPERS None.

### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

**COMMUNITY RELATIONS AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE** – None.

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE** – None.

**APPOINTMENTS AND ORDINANCE COMMITTEE**- Chairperson Guin reported that the Committee was reviewing the proposed amendments and changes to the Ordinance that have been submitted.

WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE - None.

TREASURER REPORT - None.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Vice President Wheeler held the following first reading:

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• Appropriate \$6,000,000 for the construction of a new Fire Station.

**MOTION:** On a motion by Councilor Mayo, second by Councilor Wheeler, it was, **MOVED:** TO MAKE A MOTION BASED ON THE CONFIRMATION WE HAVE JUST RECEIVED FROM THE MAYOR AND FINANCE DIRECTOR ON THE POSITIVE FINANCIAL INFORMATION REGARDING THE FIRE STATION PROJECT THAT CONSTRUCTION OF THE TEMPORARY FIRE STATION AT THE HOPE ST. PARKING LOT BEGIN WITHOUT FURTHER DELAY.

DISCUSSION: Councilor Mayo provided rationale for his proposal. Other comments included:

• This issue seemed to be more suited as a non-binding resolution.

Councilor Mayo accepted a friendly amendment made by Councilor Dolan to amend the motion to a non-binding resolution.

**MOTION:** On a motion by Councilor Ricketts, second by Councilor Guin, it was by roll call, 9 yes, 2 no, **TABLED:** NON BINDING RESOLUTION.

**MOTION:** On a motion by Councilor Bottomley, second by Councilor Desorgher, it was, **MOVED:** FOR THE MAYOR TO SUBMIT A FINANCIAL ORDER TO TRANSFER \$6,500 FROM THE COUNCIL MEETINGS AND SEMINARS ACCOUNTS TO THE DPW SALARY AND WAGES FOR FY2021 BUDGET.

**DISCUSSION:** Councilor Bottomley presented his rationale for this motion. Other comments included:

- Director Gilman noted that this issued would need to be introduced to the Council as a financial order submitted by the Mayor's office as an inter-departmental transfer.
- As per procedure, Councilor Bottomley would have to submit his request through the Mayor's
  office.
- Suggestion was made to reduce the amount from \$6,500 to \$6,000 to allow Councilors the availability of funds to attend virtual seminars that would be beneficial to them.

No action would be taken on the motion.

# MOTIONS FOR RECONSIDERATION: None.

Councilor Ricketts wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving and stay safe during the holiday season.

**ADJOURNMENT:** On a motion by Councilor Guin, second by Councilor Wheeler, it was unanimously **VOTED:** TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 11:20 P.M.

A true copy,	
Attest:	
Kathryn J. Scott, City Clerk	

# **GREENFIELD CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS**

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	Attendance	21-038A	21-038B	21-038C	21-029	21-030	21-031	21-032	21-025	21-026 Amendment	21-026 As Amended	21-027	21-035	21-036	Mayo Resolution Table
1. Jarvis, Edward	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2. Guin, Daniel	Y	Y	Y	Abs	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3. Desorgher, Virginia	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
4. Bottomley, John	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
5. Dolan, Timothy	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	N
6. Gilmour, Sheila	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Abs	Abs	Y	Y			
7. Wheeler, Otis	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Abs	Y	Y	Y	N
8. Mayo, Douglas	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Abs	Abs	Y	Y	Y	Y
9. Hirschfeld, Norman	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Abs	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
10. Elmer, Philip	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
11. Forgey, Christine	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Abs	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
12. Ricketts, Penny	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
13. Stempel-Rae, Ashley	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	
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